

BLUE MOUNTAIN DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM ANNUAL MEETING

MARCH 4, 1998

The annual meeting of the Blue Mountain Distribution System was called to order at 8:10 p.m. by Chairman Max Dalton. Mr. Dalton asked Lee Sim, Assistant State Engineer over Distribution to conduct the meeting. The first item of business was the reading of the minutes of the 1997 annual meeting. They were read by Mark Page. There were no corrections or additions to be made. A motion was made by Don Barton, and seconded by Trent Schafer, to accept the minutes. The motion passed.

The next item of business was to review the 1997 Financial Statement. Mr. Sim indicated that as of January 1, 1997 there was \$924.48 in the Trust Account. Receipts during 1997 totaled \$707.83. Regular assessments accounted for \$650.00. There were no delinquent penalties, and the account earned \$57.83 in interest. Expenditures totaled \$300.00 for the contractual services of the Commissioner. As of December 31, 1997, there was \$1,332.31 in the Trust Account. A motion was made by Guy Tracy, and seconded by Joe Barton to accept the Financial Statement. The vote was unanimous.

The Commissioner's Report was the next item of business. Michelle Halls reported that 1997 was an excellent water year. The average daily flows measured above Lloyd's Lake in April were 19.11 cfs, and 26.39 cfs in May. Lloyd's Lake filled in May, and spilled for a few weeks. No readings were taken on Dry Wash because of the abundance of water. Don Barton made a motion to accept the Commissioner's Report, and the motion was seconded by Guy Tracy. All present voted in the affirmative.

The next item of business was the appointment of a Commissioner for 1998. Francis Barton made a motion to have the system recommend to the State Engineer that Michelle Halls be retained for another year of service. The motion was seconded by Joe Barton, and passed by unanimous consent of those in attendance.

Mr. Sim indicated that the next item of business was the preparation of the budget for 1998. Mr. Sim explained to the water users that it was necessary for the Commissioner to be paid as a State employee so that she would be covered by Workman's Compensation. As a result, she will get a paycheck every two weeks. He also indicated that the bonding requirement for the Commissioner was repealed by the 1998 Legislature. After a brief discussion, it was decided that a base salary of \$520.00 would be set up, and for the days she works she will receive an additional \$16.00 from the contractual services account. As a result, the 1998 budget is as follows:

Commissioner's Salary	\$520.00
Contractual Services	\$960.00
Social Security	\$40.00
Workman's Compensation	\$40.00
Annual Report	\$50.00
Total	\$1610.00

The assessment percentages are as follows:

60%	San Juan County Conservancy District
10%	Blue Mountain Irrigation Company
10%	Gary Halls
10%	Monticello City
10%	Pioneer Ditch c/o Monticello City

Gary Halls made a motion to accept the budget, and set the assessment at \$1000.00. The motion was seconded by Lynn Adams, and the vote was unanimous.

Mr. Sim indicated that a committee should be appointed for 1998, and asked for nominations. A motion was made by Don Barton to reappoint the same committee that served in 1997. Trent Schafer seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous. The committee consists of the following individuals:

Max Dalton	Chairman
Gary Halls	Vice Chairman
Karl Barton	Pioneer Ditch
Ernest Sonderegger	Pioneer Ditch
David Adams	Spring Creek
Jack Redd	Spring Creek
Joseph Barton	Verdure Creek

It was noted that the snowpack on Buckboard is 78%, and the Camp Jackson station is currently 118% of average.

It was suggested that a meeting should be held with the North Creek and Spring Creek water users to discuss the division of the water according to the Decree. Trent Schafer indicated that additional water will be needed for the new golf course in the near future.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

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Those present included the following:

Max Dalton	Blue Mountain Distribution System - Chairman
Francis Barton	Verdure & Dodge Point
Lynn Adams	Blue Mountain Irrigation Company
Dorothy Adams	Pioneer Ditch
Guy Tracy	Blue Mountain Irrigation Company
Don R. Barton	Verdure Irrigation
Joseph R. Barton	Verdure Irrigation
Clyde Barton	Verdure & Pioneer Ditch
Bryan Bowring	Blue Mountain Irrigation Company
Robert Bowring	Blue Mountain Irrigation Company
Trent Schafer	City of Monticello
Michelle Halls	Commissioner
Gary Halls	Blue Mountain Irrigation & High Water Ditch
Lee Sim	Division of Water Rights - SLC
John Larsen	Division of Water Rights - SLC
Mark Page	Division of Water Rights - Price